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SUBJECT: ESTABLISHMENT OF US-EGYPTIAO JOINT BUSINESS COUNCIL

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1. SHORTLY AFTER RECEIPT REFTTEL, WE GAVE AHMED EFFAT INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREIN WITH REQUEST HE OBTAIN READING OF EGYPTIAN PREFERENCES. WE HAVE SINCE BEEN AFTER HIM SEVERAL TIMES FOR HIS REPLY.

2. HE HAS TODAY INDICATED THAT GOE HAS NO PARTICULAR VIEWS ON ANYONE ON LIST FOR CO-CHAIRMAN OF JOINT COUNCIL. GOE RELIES UPON USG TO MAKE BEST POSSIBLE CHOICE. (NOR DOES EMBASSY HAVE ANY PARTICULAR VIEWS ON PROPOSED AMERICAN CANDIDATES. WOULD NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT PFIZER ALREADY HAS SMALL MANUFACTURING PLANT HERE. IN CIRCUMSTANCES, IT MIGHT BE DESIRABLE CHOOSE POTENTIAL NEW INVESTOR.)

3. IN SEVERAL TALKS WITH HIM, EFFAT WAS UNCLEAR RE
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MODALITIES OF JOINT BUSINESS COUNCIL. WE GATHER

THAT SCENARIO GIVEN TO EGYPTIAN EMBASSY FOR ESTABLISH-
MENT OF JOINT BUSINESS COUNCIL HAS NEVER BEEN RECEIVED
HERE, AT LEAST NOT BY EFFAT. SINCE WE DO NOT HAVE ANY
INFO RE SCENARIO EITHER, WE UNABLE ENLIGHTEN EFFAT.
IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO HAVE THAT SCENARIO URGENTLY IN
ORDER TO DISCUSS WITH HIM.

4. EFFAT HAS PROPOSED HE BE EGYPTIAN CO-CHAIRMAN OF
JOINT BUSINESS COUNCIL AND PRIMIN HEGAZI HAS AGREED.
WE SEE NO OBJECTION.
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